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There being no other nominations, it was MOVED (Larry Nelson), SECONDED (Larry Forester) and UNANIMOUSLY agreed to close the nominations.

In a hand count of 7 to 2, Dennis Washburn was voted Chair.

Dennis Washburn, Chair, opened the floor for nominations for Vice-Chair.

It was MOVED by Larry Forrester to nominate Larry Nelson.

It was MOVED by Lori Van Arsdale to nominate Margaret Clark.

There being no other nominations, it was MOVED (Larry Forester), SECONDED (Denis Bertone) and UNANIMOUSLY agreed to close the nominations.

In a hand count of 8 to 1, Larry Nelson was voted Vice-Chair.

3.0 PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

No public comment.

4.0 REVIEW and PRIORITIZE

5.0 CONSENT CALENDAR

It was MOVED (Larry Forester), SECONDED (Denis Bertone) and UNANIMOUSLY agreed to approve the Consent Calendar.

5.1 Approval Item

5.1.1 Action Minutes of May 5, 2005

5.2 Receive and File

5.2.1 State and Federal Legislative Matrix

5.2.2 SCAG Future Events Calendar

6.0 ACTION ITEMS

6.1 ACA 13 (Harman) Local Government: Assessments

Charlotte Pienkos, SCAG Staff, gave a brief presentation on the item. Leslie Mince, Legislative Director of Heal the Bay and Larry Forester spoke in support of the bill, indicating that this is a unique opportunity to work together to raise money for local government and get this out for a citizen vote.

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It was MOVED (Debbie Cook), SECONDED (Norman Eckenrode) and UNANIMOUSLY agreed to support this bill.

6.2 Proposed Energy Policies

Alan Thompson, SCAG Staff, presented a report on the item. He informed the Committee that the additional energy policies are for inclusion in the Preliminary Draft RCP Energy Chapter and not adoption.

It was MOVED (Toni Young), SECONDED (Debbie Cook) and UNANIMOUSLY agreed to include the policies for public comment.

The Committee also directed staff to place the issue of an Energy Task Force on a future agenda.

6.3 Policy Guidance for Implementation of the 2005 California Water Plan

Dan Griset, SCAG staff presented an overview of this item.

It was MOVED (Toni Young), SECONDED (Larry Forester) and UNANIMOUSLY agreed to approve Resolution 05-465-1 and forward to the Regional Council for adoption.

6.4 2% Strategy Implementation Through California Environmental Quality Act Streamlining

Ashwani Vasishth, SCAG staff presented a report on this item.

Mark Pisano informed the Committee that CEQA is being addressed because of concerns of the Governor, Senate Pro-Tem, and the Speaker with the housing affordability crisis in the state.

Denis Bertone raised concern that this could take away some of citizen's rights.

It was MOVED (Lori Van Arsdale), SECONDED (Larry Forester), and agreed to proceed to implement recommendations in Compass Program. Denis Bertone OPPOSED this item.

7.0 **INFORMATION ITEMS**

7.1 SCE "Demand Response" Initiative

Mark Martinez of Southern California Edison provided a presentation on the SCE Demand Response Initiative.

7.2 California Energy Action Plan

Regina Birdsall of the California Public Utilities Commission presented their Energy Action Plan.

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7.3 Regional Comprehensive Plan (RCP) Update

Ashwani Vasishth, SCAG Staff, informed the Commission that the RCP Task Force has decided to link the environmental analysis for the RCP with the environmental analysis of the RTP.

8.0 WATER POLICY TASK FORCE REPORT

The next meeting will be held on September 8, 2005.

9.0 CHAIR'S REPORT

None

10.0 STAFF REPORT

None

11.0 FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

12.0 ANNOUNCEMENTS

13.0 ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Dennis Washburn, Chair, adjourned the meeting at 12:18 p.m. The next meeting of the Energy and Environment Committee will be held at SCAG on Thursday, September 1, 2005.

Action Minutes Approved
by:



Sylvia Patsaouras, Staff
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